



City of Marietta

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Meeting Minutes CITY COUNCIL

R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor
Cheryl Richardson, Ward 1
Grif Chalfant, Ward 2
Johnny Walker, Ward 3
G. A. (Andy) Morris, Ward 4
Reggie Copeland, Ward 5
Michelle Cooper Kelly, Ward 6
Joseph R. Goldstein, Ward 7

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

Presiding: R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor

Present: Cheryl Richardson, Grif Chalfant, Johnny Walker, Andy Morris,
Reggie Copeland, Michelle Cooper Kelly and Joseph R. Goldstein

Also Present:

Bill Bruton, City Manager

Doug Haynie, City Attorney

Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor R. Steve Tumlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

Mayor Tumlin called upon Council member Kelly to give the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Everyone was asked to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

20210772

Marietta Police Officers

Recognition of the newest officers to the Marietta Police Department:

Officer Joshua Adams

Officer Andrew Dobos

Officer Kenneth Cobb

Officer Christopher Horstmeyer

Officer Yvette Collazo

Officer Jordan Kennedy

Officer Shelisia Crawford

Officer Patrick Sherman

Officer Torriano Crenshaw

Presented

PROCLAMATIONS:**20210700 2021 Public Power & Clean Water Week**

Presentation of a Proclamation by Mayor Tumlin, presented to Heidi Dasinger on behalf of Marietta Power & Water.

Presented

Mayor Tumlin called on Councilwoman Kelly and Councilman Chalfant to present a Distinguish Service Award to Ed Hammock, for his dedication and service to the City of Marietta.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF GENERAL COMMUNITY INFORMATION BY THE MAYOR, COUNCIL AND/OR CITY MANAGER:**SCHEDULED APPEARANCES:****CONSENT AGENDA:**

Consent agenda items are marked by an asterisk (*). Consent items are approved by majority of council. A public hearing will be held only for those items marked by an asterisk that require a public hearing (also noted on agenda).

Mayor Pro tem Johnny Walker briefly explained the consent agenda process.

City Attorney Doug Haynie noted the following changes to the consent agenda:

-under Public Works: Agenda item 20210726 remained on the consent agenda, with Council member Goldstein abstaining.

A motion was made by Council member Kelly, seconded by Council member Richardson, to approve the consent agenda as modified. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

MINUTES:*** 20210756 Regular Meeting - August 11, 2021**

Review and approval of the August 11, 2021 regular meeting minutes.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS: (for informational purposes only)**CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS:***** 20210750 Planning Commission Appointment (Ward 1)**

Appointment of Craig Smith to the Planning Commission (Ward 1), to fill the unexpired term of Jay Davis expiring December 11, 2022.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

ORDINANCES:**RESOLUTIONS:****CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:****CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:****MAYOR'S REPORT:****COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. Economic/Community Development: Johnny Walker, Chairperson**
- 2. Finance/Investment: Joseph R. Goldstein, Chairperson**
- 3. Judicial/Legislative: G. A. (Andy) Morris, Chairperson**
- 4. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: Michelle Cooper Kelly, Chairperson**
- 5. Personnel/Insurance: Cheryl Richardson, Chairperson**

*** 20210569 Marietta Development Authority Appointment - Post 2**

Motion to authorize staff to conduct a search for a candidate to fill the Post 2 vacancy on the Marietta Development Authority.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

* **20210730 Pension Plan Amendments**

Motion approving an ordinance amending the defined benefit pension plans to simplify and streamline Pension Board nomination and election procedures.

First Reading

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 First Reading

* **20210729 2022 Employee Group Benefits Program Administration**

Motion approving the renewal of group health and dental plan administration and stop-loss coverage with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, renewal of the retiree Medicare Advantage plan with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, renewal of pharmacy benefit management services with Express Scripts, and the renewal of the administrative services agreements with all employee-funded ancillary providers for calendar year 2022.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 Approved

* **20210743 2022 Flexible Benefit Plan**

Motion approving the 2022 Flexible Benefit Plan, Summary Plan Description, and maintaining the maximum allowable health contribution at \$2,750 with Total Administrative Services Corporation (TASC).

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 Approved

6. Public Safety Committee: Reggie Copeland, Chairperson

7. Public Works Committee: Grif Chalfant, Chairperson

* **20210572 Speed Detection Radar on City Streets**

Motion to authorize Marietta Police to seek approval from the State to use radar on designated streets using radar & laser speed detection.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 Approved

20210368**Lakes of Stonegate Speed Study**

Motion authorizing Public Works to install four (4) speed tables on Frog Leap Trail, a crosswalk at the community pool, and the designation of a No Parking Zone along one side of the street on Frog Leap Trail.

Public Hearing Required

City Attorney Doug Haynie opened the public hearing and called forward those wishing to speak.

Those speaking regarding this matter were Tom Feske, Victoria Jones Farley and Mr. Jackson

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Council member Morris, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0**Approved**

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20210724**Lemon Street Traffic Calming**

Motion authorizing Public Works to lower and post the speed limit to 25 MPH on Lemon Street from Cherokee Street to Woods Drive in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0**Approved**

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20210367**Frasier Street Traffic Calming**

Motion authorizing Public Works to proceed with the Public Information Meeting with the residents on Frasier Street to discuss possible traffic calming options.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0**Approved**

* **20210725 Donation of Right-of-Way**

Motion authorizing the Public Works to receive the donation of right-of-way located at Fort Street per the Quitclaim Deed from Copperleaf Partners LLC.

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This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 Approved

* **20210726 Kennesaw Avenue Utilities - 1GW48102N**

Motion authorizing a variance from the Underground Utilities ordinance to allow the installation of fiber to be over lashed on existing fiber and requiring the removal of all duplicate utility poles where AT&T is “next to transfer” along Kennesaw Avenue, Nelson Street, Atwood Drive, Talcott Circle, and Keeler Woods Drive. This motion does not grant a perpetual variance. AT&T must relocate underground at their expense if other utilities at these locations are moved underground.

Council Member Goldstein discloses that he and Philip M. Goldstein combined own more than \$10,000 of stock in AT&T. Philip M. Goldstein is the father of Council Member Goldstein.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 1 Approved

Abstaining: Joseph R. Goldstein

* **20210719 2021 Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program Grant Application**

Motion to approve resolution in support of the Rottenwood Creek Trail Phase 1 project for the 2021 Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program funding solicitation of \$1,500,000 and commitment of matching funds of 25.1% which is \$376,500.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0 Approved

OTHER BUSINESS:

* **20210787 Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG) Annual Subscription for Supplemental Power 2022**

Motion to approve the Board of Lights and Water recommendation to approve the supplemental power supply nomination as presented and to authorize the agreement for the 2022 Annual Subscription with MEAG accordingly.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

* **20210757**

BLW Actions of September 2, 2021

Review and approval of the September 2, 2021 actions and minutes of Marietta Board of Lights and Water.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

Approved

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Date Approved: October 13, 2021

R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor

Attest: _____
Stephanie Guy, City Clerk